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**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

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Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the November 20, 2002, office action.

**REMARKS**

In view of the following remarks, reconsideration of the outstanding office action is respectfully requested.

The rejection of claims 13-16 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(a, b, or e) as anticipated by, or in the alternative, under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as obvious over U.S. Patent No. 5,898,009 to Shaffer et al. ("Shaffer I"), U.S. Patent No. 6,048,511 to Shaffer et al. ("Shaffer II"), U.S. Patent No. 5,985,228 to Corrigan et al. ("Corrigan"), or U.S. Patent No. 5,854,155 to Kawasaki et al. ("Kawasaki") is respectfully traversed.

It is the position of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office ("PTO") that Shaffer I, Shaffer II, Corrigan, and Kawasaki each teach boron nitride powders including agglomerates. Thus, the PTO states that the burden is on the applicant to prove by way of tangible evidence that the prior art compositions do not necessarily possess characteristics attributed to the claimed composition.

As set forth in the Declaration of Thomas M. Clere under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132